

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The application has been amended and is believed to be in condition for allowance. Previously, claims 1-8 and 10 were pending, claim 1 being independent. The pending claims have been amended as to form. New claims 11-14 comprise recitations previously found in the originally pending claims.

The Official Action objected to the drawings. The Official Action noted that section line B-B should be revised and that the B-B in Figure 5 be deleted.

Responsively, Figure 4 has been amended to change the section line to read V-V. The section identification B-B has been deleted from Figure 5.

In view of these amendments, withdrawal of the drawing objection is solicited.

The Official Action objected to the abstract due to form. Responsively, the abstract has been amended and is believed to be proper as to form. Withdrawal of the abstract objection is solicited.

The Official Action objected to the specification due to informalities.

Responsively, the specification has been amended so as to remedy the stated basis of objection as to each of the informalities. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection to the specification is solicited.

The Official Action objected to certain of the pending claims due to formal matters.

Responsively, the claims have been amended to address the noted formal matters. However, the Official Action stated that claim 4, line 4, contained a misspelled word, i.e., "correspfonds". This misspelling was not able to be located and accordingly, no amendment was made. Should a spelling or other formal amendment remain, it is requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney so as to coordinate the necessary amendment.

The Official Action rejected claims 1-8 and 10 under §112, second paragraph, as indefinite.

These claims have been amended so as to remedy the stated basis of rejection. Accordingly, withdrawal of the indefiniteness rejection is respectfully requested.

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation that the Official Action indicated that claims 1-8 and 10 were directed to allowable subject matter. In view of this, allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Applicant believes that the present application is in condition for allowance and an early indication of the same is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any

overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional  
fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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